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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Yoshiki MINOWA and Ayao OGAWA both of Nagano-ken, Japan.

Serial No: Not assigned

Filed: February 22, 2002

For: CARD-MAKING METHOD AND SYSTEM AS WELL AS HEAT TREATMENT
MECHANISM FOR CARDS AND IMAGE-FORMING APPARATUS INCORPORATING
THE SAME

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14 sheet(s) of drawings (formal informal) is(are) enclosed.

96 page(s) of specification and 1 page(s) of abstract of the invention are enclosed.

An assignment of the invention to SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION is enclosed will follow.

An associate power of attorney is enclosed will follow.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Declaration and Power of Attorney is enclosed will follow.

A certified copies of Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2001-062123 filed March 6, 2001 and 2001-065666 filed March 8, 2001 from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 is enclosed.

IDS enclosed (with 2 reference(s)).

Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

Application data sheet is enclosed. See 37 CFR 1.76.

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				LG=\$18	SM=\$9		
A	TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	43	-20	23	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$18	414
B	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE*	6	-3	3	LG=\$84 SM=\$42	\$84	252
C	SUBTOTAL - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE (ADD FINAL COLUMN IN LINES A + B)						666
D	MULTIPLE-DEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE				LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$280 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$140		\$ 0
E	BASIC FEE				LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$740 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$370		\$ 740
F	TOTAL FILING FEE (ADD TOTALS FOR LINES C, D, AND E)						\$ 1406
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*LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS 1, 16, 18, 33, 35, and 43.

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- certified copies of Japanese patent application Nos. 2001-062123 filed March 6, 2001 and 2001-065666 filed March 8, 2001 from which priority is claimed in the subject case pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 119
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